Healdsburg, Cal.

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Dear Sir:-

You no doubt desire to familiarize yourself with the candidates aspiring to the office of Superintendent of Schools of Sonoma County. Regretting that I am not able to meet each voter personally, I take this means of addressing you in behalf of my own candidacy for this important office.

I desire you to consider that I am a Native of Sonoma County, my family having lived in Healdsburg for over thirty years. Having been a teacher in this County for over seven years, I naturally take a deep interest in promoting the welfare of our schools. I would further state that my preliminary training has been such as to properly equip me for this office. I have had a thorough training in the University of California with the object in view of making myself a competent educator. As school teaching is principally carried on by women teachers, it seems to me that a woman Superintendent would be better able to co-operate with the women teachers of the County and develop a school system thoroughly unified and effective.

If I should be fortunate enough to be elected to this position, I intend to devote all my time and ability toward rounding our school system into perfect condition, and assure you that you will receive the services of a school Superintendent who is in love with her Native County, whose heart will be in the office, whose policy will be courteous and fair yet firm enough to preserve proper discipline in all branches of our schools.

I trust that after conscientious investigation, I may, on November eighth, receive your vote for County Superintendent of Schools.

Yours very truly,

Florence M. Barnes.